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CONFIDENCE OBTAINS.

Resultant from the confidence the business public has in the coming administration of Theodore Roosevelt, has of largely on his past record and the platform and policies of the Republican party, general business conditions throughout the nation continue to improve. Clearing-house returns at leading cities last week showed an increase of over 50 per cent. Of course this was largely due to speculation in New York; but Baltimore showed an increase of over 50 per cent. Philadelphia, 13 per cent., Chicago 12 per cent., Boston 30 per cent and New Orleans 26 per cent. Reports from all sections of the country show similar gains in clearings, which beyond question, tell the story of business improvement. Further proof is afforded in railroad earnings. 21 roads reporting an increase of 12 per cent in the third week of November. Traffic managers tell us that their roads are again likely to be overtaxed with traffic, and are urging car and locomotive works to hasten deliveries of newly placed orders, for rolling stock. Our railroads are once more heavy buyers of iron and steel products, and are chiefly responsible for the latest boom in iron and steel. Heavy advances have already taken place in prices of many products, the effect of which is to create a buyers' panic and another spasmodic boom in the steel issues on the Stock Exchange. Nor is this all. The chief basis of present improvement is in the profitable harvest. Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, tells us that our cotton crop will reach a value of 600 millions; our corn crop a value of 1,000 millions, our wheat and hay crops a value of 1,000 millions, and all our farm products combined a total value of 4,900 millions, compared with 4,480 millions last year. This is an increase of \$420,000,000, or nearly 10 per cent, in the value of our agricultural products within one year. Surely the American farmer is more than ordinarily prosperous.

Monetary conditions are entirely satisfactory, and beyond slight occasional flurries no disturbance of consequence is anticipated in the money market. Gold reports have ceased, except shipments connected with the Cuban bond issue, and Europe is more likely to want our commodities and securities than our gold, although we can spare considerable of the latter without inconvenience. Just now Europe is a much better buyer of American securities, and considerable portions of new impending railroad issues are likely to be placed abroad.

Seldom within the history of a nation have we seen such a splendid situation as obtained through the recent campaign. Usually there is great depression in business as the result of the uncertainty. Ofttimes there is ruin and wreck in business circles. The recent campaign had a very slight shade of this caused by a possibility that the Democratic party might unfortunately succeed in breaking into power, but the shade was so very slight and the possibility so remote that there was no radical upheaval in business. It seemed to be the confident hope of every one that the Republican party would win, and when the election was over, even Democrats were thankful that it turned out the way it did and that conditions were to continue so encouraged were all that they went to work harder than ever and already

the result is the increased activity along all lines of industry and commerce.

These things are worthy of remembrance, not only now, but when campaigns come on. More important it is then to fully appreciate prosperous conditions, unless the people would voluntarily and wilfully throw aside fixed and tried conditions for risk.

THE HUMANE SOCIETY.

The initiatory and preliminary efforts of Mrs. E. Irene Root, of Chicago, national representative of the American Humane Association, to better humane conditions here by organizing a healthy local humane society should meet with the approval of our citizens generally and she should be given every encouragement at hand. Mrs. Root has the endorsement of Mrs. Gay Allen, of Washington, president of the state humane society, whose interest in the work has been shown on previous occasions through former Humane Agent B. B. Stout, who looked carefully after the situation, while holding the position.

The object of the proposed society here is commendable as every one must admit, and there are none who will gainsay the worthiness of such an effort.

West Virginia is greatly lacking along this line, although ample laws have been made on the subject. These laws, however, are not well known among our people and some have never heard of them. For the benefit of our readers, we give the more important extracts below as they appear on the statutes of the state and it is the sincere hope of the Telegram that every newspaper in West Virginia, will reproduce them and disseminate them to even the remotest parts of the state.

"The duly appointed agents of said society shall have all the power to make arrests and preserve the peace, which are by law given to sheriffs and constables in this state."

"Any such agent may lawfully interfere to prevent the perpetration or continuance of any act of cruelty upon any animal or person in his presence, and any person who shall interfere with or obstruct or resist any such agent in the discharge of his duty, shall, upon conviction, be fined not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail not more than thirty days."

"If any person shall cruelly, unnecessarily or needlessly beat, torture, torment, mutilate, kill, overload, overdrive, or willfully deprive of necessary sustenance, any horse or other animal, be it his own or that of another person, or shall impound or confine any such animal in any place and fail to supply the same with the sufficient quantity of good, wholesome food and water, etc. are subject to fine and imprisonment."

THE WATER PROBLEM.

There is a free-for-all discussion of the water works situation and several solutions of the problem have been advanced, but none have brought the water as yet, although some of the argument put up pro and con appears to be very well watered. The burning question should be, now are we to get water and low soon? The man that brings the water quickly is the one who ought to have the prize. Action is necessary, but suggestions through the newspapers are wholly unproductive and in some instances entertaining. One feature of the present situation is that it gives every one a chance to have his say. Public discussion of the question is a good thing. But, we should not lose sight of the fact that it is water we want now. Another thing to keep constantly considering is that we must devise a way to avoid a repetition of the water famine. Another thing to think about is the financial feature of the matter. The man who meets all these successfully is the one who will have solved the problem.

KEEP TIN PLATE MILLS HERE.

The statement that the tin plate mills at this point are likely to resume operations in the very near future is good, if true, and is meeting with the hearty expectancy of every citizen of the city. These are mills that will employ fully three hundred persons at good wages and their operation means much to Clarksburg. Such an industry successfully operated will be a boon in many ways to Clarksburg. The population will be increased largely. There will be demand for homes. The industry of the city will be augmented and commercial conditions will be greatly improved. That there will be beneficial effects and there will be a stimulus all around. It is to be sincerely hoped for Clarksburg's future that the mills are to remain here and be operated on an extensive scale. The purchasers should be seen by our prominent business men for the purpose of learning fully their intention and, if needed, great stress should be laid upon the fact that the

mills should remain here. Everything possible should be done to keep them here.

HOLIDAY TRADE IS ON.

There is a perceptible increase in trade activities in Clarksburg. The past few days the streets have been more largely frequented than usual. The cold weather has not kept the people in. They appear to be busy shopping and the merchants look pleased. There is every evidence the holiday trade is beginning to open. With a few exceptions the merchants appear to be a little late in getting in their stock but the next few days will be witness the arrival of loads of goods of all kinds to meet the trade at this season of the year. It behooves every one to get busy. Prepare for the trade and do not forget to let the people know what you have to offer. You can do this best by using the newspaper columns and particularly the Daily and Weekly Telegram.

And now the great cinema have about decided they will use only the newspapers for advertising. This is hard on those who get free tickets for the use of their windows, bill boards, stables and fences, but it is a saving that will count, as well as a decision that will prove judicious. Wise is the man who uses the newspaper for advertising purposes, and not the hand bill, poster, dodger and scarecrow street signs.

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Adoniram Chapter Meets. Adoniram Chapter, No. 11, Royal Arch Masons, held a regular meeting in the Masonic hall Monday night. The membership was well represented at the session. High Priest W. T. Merriam presided and the subordinate officers assisted him. Nothing of importance was transacted the work being of routine and miscellaneous nature.

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Mrs. Winchell Improving. E. L. Winchell, the contractor, returned Monday night from Pittsburgh, where he was to see Mrs. Winchell, who is under the treatment of a specialist there for injuries sustained in a railway accident in Pennsylvania three or four months ago. She has suffered greatly ever since but her reports are condition somewhat improved now.

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Class To Be Formed This Afternoon. The Busy Man's gymnasium class of the Young Men's Christian Association will be formed at the meeting to be held in the association hall this afternoon at five o'clock. All busy business men interested in physical recreation should be on hand promptly at that time.

Assaulted By Strangers.

Albert Manks, the Pole, well known in mining circles, was viciously assaulted Sunday evening. As the result he wears a very badly battered right eye. He says two strangers had been following him and as he came out of a restaurant he asked them why they did so. They replied by hitting him about the face with heavy instruments and stones. No arrests have yet been made, as he has lost sight of the fellows.

GRAND HOLIDAY OPENING

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Ladies Embroidery and Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, at 5c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 18c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50, \$2, up.

HOLIDAY LINENS.

Scarfs, Doilies, Table Covers, Dresser Scarfs, Tray Cloths, in plain hemstitched and the new English fringe effects. The prices are surprisingly cheap. Also a full line of stamped linens and art emby silks, pillow tops, down pillows, etc.

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